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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Claims 10-12 and 15-17 were rejected in an Office Action mailed November 12, 2003. In response to the Office Action, please consider the remarks provided herein.

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Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U.S. Patent and
Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified Patent Application:

1. Request for Reconsideration (4 pages); and
2. Petition for Three Month Extension of Time (1 page)

**THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND IS REQUESTED
TO CHARGE ALL FILING FEES DUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.16 AND ALL
OTHER FEES DUE UNDER §1.17 DURING THE PENDENCY OF THIS
APPLICATION TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 07-1728.**

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Response to outstanding Office Action.

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